# Digitalization in Transport and Logistics Services: --- A Case for Data Flows

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### Digitalization in Transport and Logistics Services

- While transport services require physical delivery, digitalization is transforming the sector along the transport supply chain:
  - Vehicle/ship design;
  - Infrastructure: road, bridges, tunnels, rail, ports, terminals;
  - Transport operation (e.g. capacity allocation, cargo management, shipment tracking and tracing, customer services, etc.)
  - Intermediary services;
  - Supporting services: warehousing, monitoring and inspection;
  - Maintenance and repair of transport equipment;
  - Information and documents transmission among multi-players (shippers, shipping lines, port authority, the Customs, terminal operators, etc.)

#### Common features of digital trends

- Higher level of automation;
- Better and broader connectivity;
- Main digital technologies and solutions: Internet of Things, cloud computing, big data analytics, automation and robotics, artificial intelligence;
- Digital platforms become a new business model, which enable innovative transport services or more efficient supply of services and increase tradability of services;
- Data-driven approach become dominant for both businesses and regulators;
- Digital synergies between transport/logistics services and other service sectors: digital transformation of transport and logistics services relies on the support of other services, but also boosts the latter's advances, such as: telecom, CRS, construction and engineering, energy, environment, and other business services.

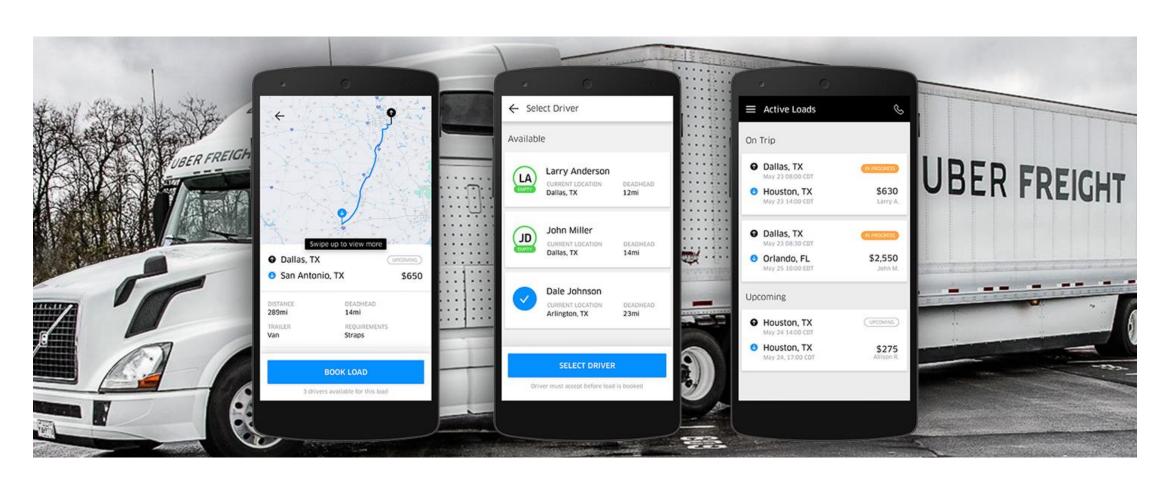
### Digitalization in road transport





- Higher levels of automation: platooning, autonomous vehicles
- Intelligent Transport System (ITS): wide deployment of road-side and in-vehicle sensors combined with Big Data analytics allows real-time and fine-grained tracking so as to enable better management of vehicles and loads.
  - Digital freight brokerage services: Load-matching platforms, e.g. Uber freight

# Uber freight, a digital load-matching platform connecting carriers and shippers



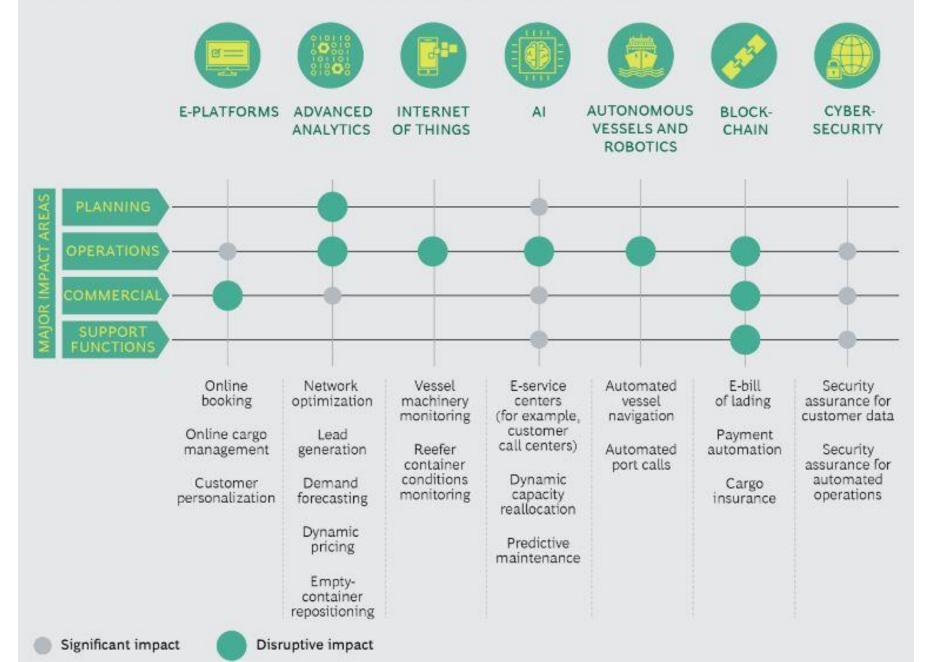
### Digitalization in maritime transport

- Online booking and online cargo management
- Tracking and tracing of shipments
- Routs optimization
- Autonomous vessels





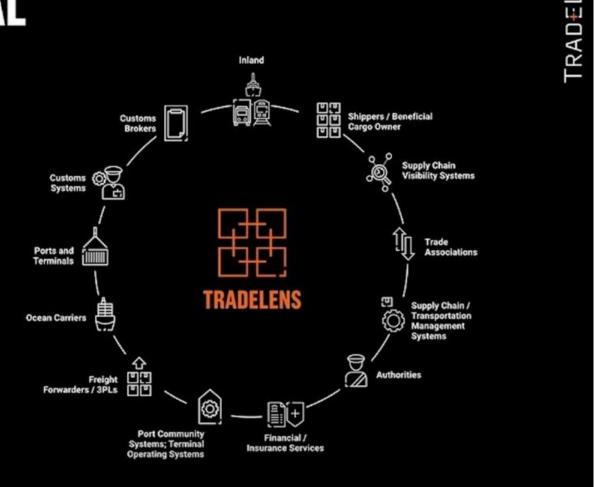
#### **EXHIBIT 2 | Seven Digital Trends Will Transform Container Shipping**



TradeLens, a blockchain-enabled digital container logistics platform jointly launched by Maersk and IBM

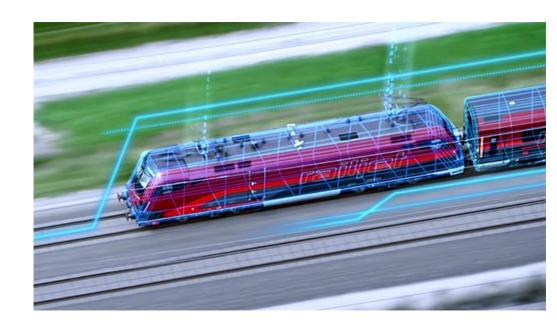
# DIGITIZING THE GLOBAL SUPPLY CHAIN

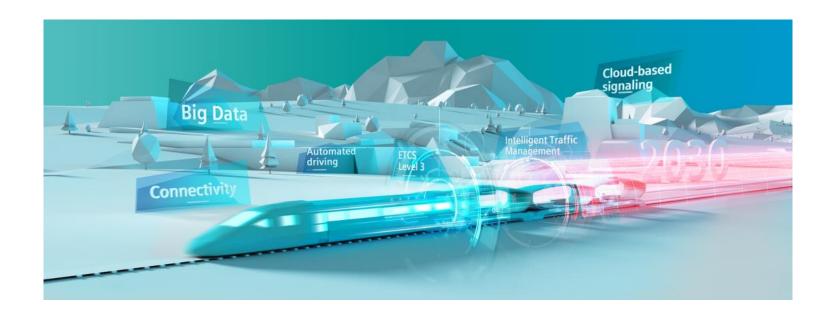
- 1. Connects the entire ecosystem
- 2. Drives true information sharing
- 3. Fosters collaboration and trust
- 4. Spurs innovation

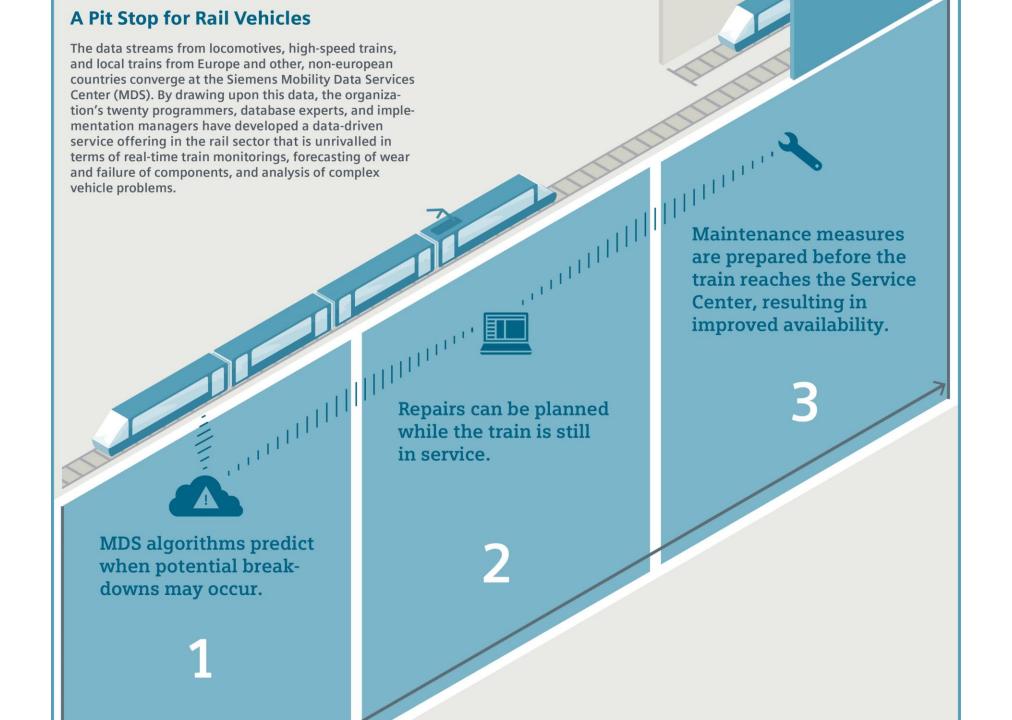


### Digitalization in rail transport

- Autonomous trains
- Signalling and traffic management
- Digital train control
- Digital platforms for predictive maintenance and reparation
- E-ticketing



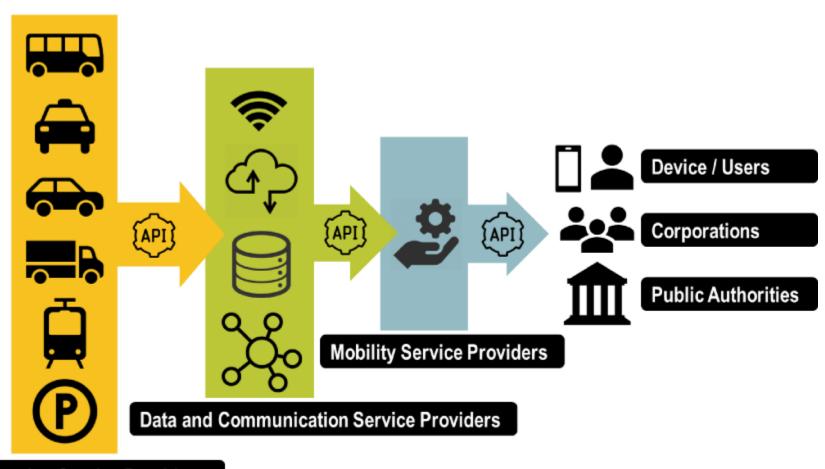




### Digitalization in urban transport

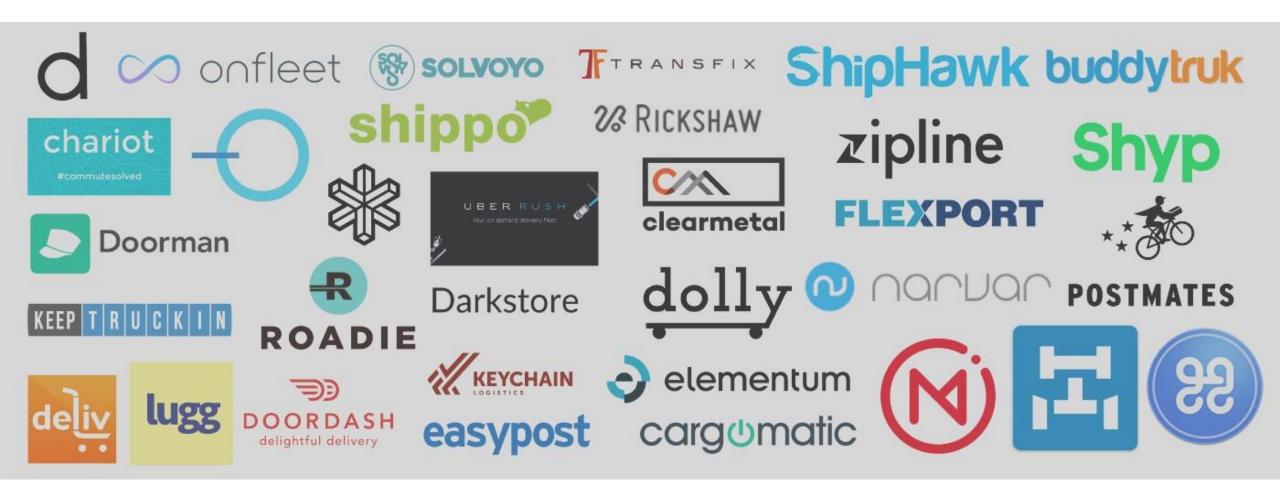
- Digital technologies (e.g. AI, IoT, automation, Big Data Analytics, etc.) provides possibility to address chronical urban transport problems, e.g. traffic jams; lack of choice for consumers; inefficient utilization of vehicles and space; pollution; etc.
  - Data collection and data analytics help better identify causes of problems and find solutions;
  - Data-driven new public transport services: e.g. Via Van, US-German joint venture, on-demand, dynamic, data-driven public mobility – global reach, distinguished from ride-hailing and on-demand transit, relying on publicprivate partnership;
  - Digital platform enabled innovations, e.g. ride-hailing and car-sharing: Uber,
     Didi; bike/scooter sharing

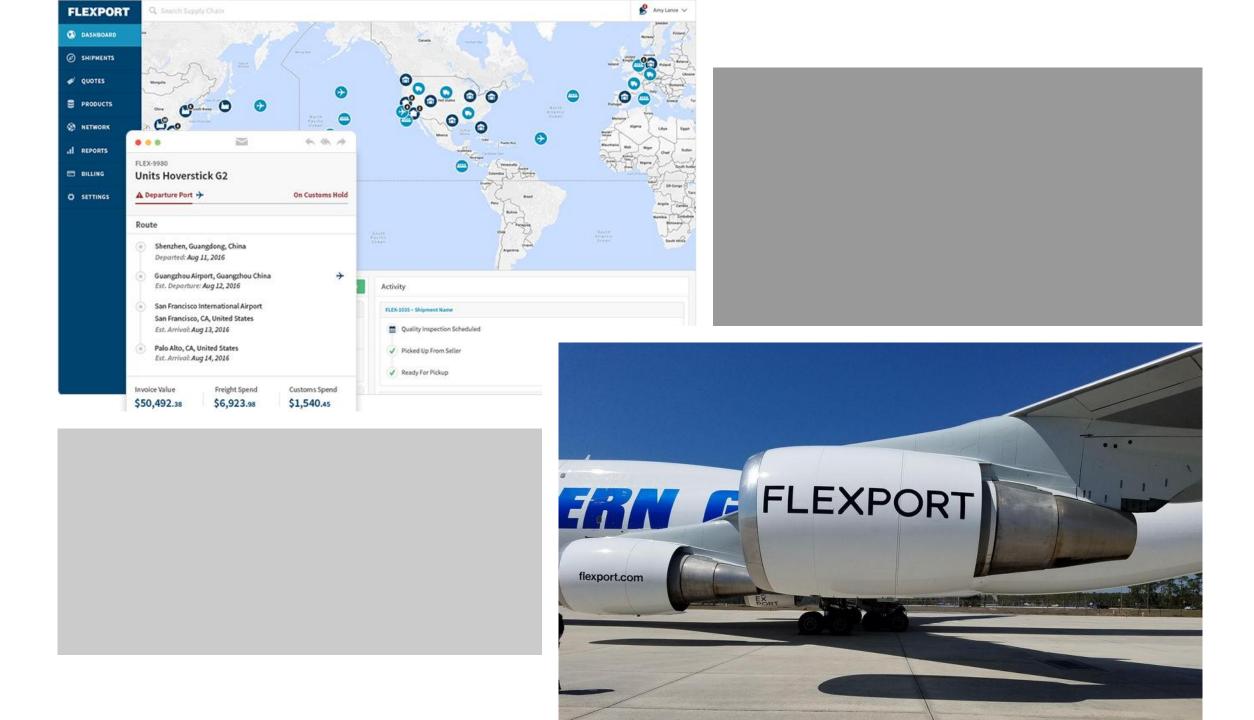
### Mobility as a Service (MaaS)



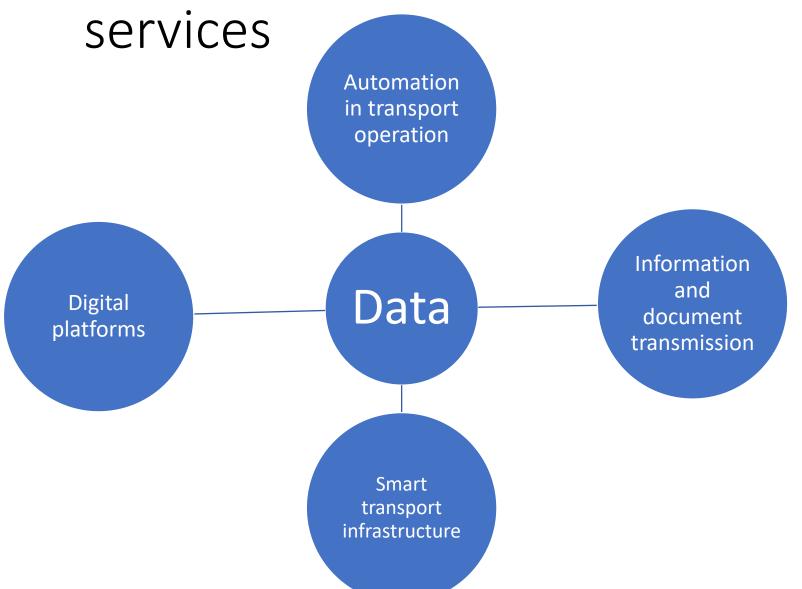
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### Digitalization in logistics services





Data at the centre of transport and logistics



The digitization of transport is about creating new paradigms in the visualization and capitalization of data, of a given system and to use that knowledge to build a more optimized and maintainable infrastructures."

- McKinsey

## Digital transformation in transport and logistics: Policy implications

- Data is crucial not only for the operation of business, but also for governance and policy-making in the age of digitalization;
- Some other issues also become prominent: interoperability between different systems, harmonization of individual digitalization initiatives, standardization, safety, cybersecurity, etc.
- Synergies with other sectors require a holistic digital strategy to build a supportive ecosystem;
- Disruptive effects of digitalization on incumbent services and service suppliers require balancing policies and regulations;
- Policies and regulatory framework should foster innovations which are not only sources of competitiveness, but also beneficial to public good.

### **THANK YOU**

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